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(C) On May 11, Mission received an official note from the Maldivian government again requesting the release of Maldivian citizen Ibrahim Fauzee, who is currently being detained in Guantanamo Bay. (The last USG communication on the issue to the GoRM was an early March 2004 note from the Department informing it that the decision had been made not to release the Maldivian at present.) Given the impending visit to Maldives by Assistant Secretary Rocca, we do not think the GoRM's May 9 note

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is a coincidence. We included this issue in our scenesetter cable for A/S Rocca late last week along with a proposed line of response. We'll review it with A/S Rocca before we take her over to Male'. A copy of the note is being sent to the Desk. (POL)

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